NOTE XXV.

DESCRIPTION OF THE MALE SEX OF HELOTA ATTENUATA RITS.

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Helota attenuata belongs, together with *Dureli*, *Moutoni* and *Helleri*, to the group of *Helota rotundata* (see my „Synopsis" in Notes Leyd. Mus. Vol. XIII, p. 227). It is easily recognizable among these species by the coarse punctuation on the pronotum and by the reddish testaceous colour of the elytral epipleurae.

When I described the species, the female sex only was known to me (Notes Leyd. Mus. Vol. XVI, p. 112), but later on Mr. René Oberthür received also the male sex from the environs of Kurseong (R. F. Bretaudeau) and from Maria Basti and Padong in British Bhotan (R. F. Durel).

The male is somewhat narrower in shape than the female, but the punctuation quite agrees and the apices of the elytra are likewise almost conjointly rounded. The anterior tibiae are much curved and their inner lower margin is deeply and regularly notched about the middle; between the notch and the apex the tibia is broader and the margin of the dilated portion is regularly convex. The intermediate and posterior tibiae are slightly waved, visibly thickened in their greater apical half and covered beneath with a soft almost colourless pilosity. The apical ventral segment is broadly truncate posteriorly and provided in front of the truncation with a bald, finely punctured, very shallow impression; the lateral angles of the truncation are dark coloured and slightly raised.

In Mr. Oberthür's collection and in the Leyden Museum.

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